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Gentlemen,

Attached is the Power of Attorney for the above case.

I do appreciate your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Dr. M. Kleespies

Dr. Matthias Kleespies

Power of Attorney

**re US Patent Application No. 09/254,827 (now abandoned) and No. 09/915,469
(now active and pending)**

For purposes of identifying the current US patent status on the above referenced patent applications, for suggesting modifications to focus on clearer and more concise claims, for expediting the patent approval process, and for general trouble shooting issues that may be holding up issuance of a US patent, I, Dr. Matthias Kleespies, hereby assign Mr. Michael Meister and/or Mr. Michael Hartman, JD, of Ponte Vedra Beach Florida to act as my agents regarding the above referenced US patent applications.

These individuals are not patent attorneys, although Mr. Hartman is an environmental attorney. Both individuals are familiar with the water kefir technology upon which my application is based and both are involved in promoting the commercial application of the technology to prospective clients in North and Central America.

Thank you for accepting these individuals to speak for me for the purposes identified above under this Power of Attorney.

By, Dr. M. Kleespies Date: 16/11/2003